



## Year 5

# Spring 1 Newsletter

### Happy New Year!

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely break over the Christmas period. Autumn term was extremely busy with a variety of events. Our trip to Bradford Science Museum was a great success: a mad scientist helped us to deepen our knowledge of Earth and space. This half term will be equally exciting, as some children will have the possibility to join a class dodgeball team.

Our topic this half term is split into two. The English and geography aspect focuses on Ernest Shackleton's journey to the South Pole. In history, we are expanding our knowledge of the Ancient Greeks.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me after school or via Class Dojo.

Thank you for your continued support.

In **English**, we will be writing various journal entries as crew members traveling to the South Pole. Once we understand the method and the conditions of the expedition, we will create our own science fiction story.

In **Science**, we are focusing on materials. We have an array of investigations prepared to evaluate the effectiveness of materials and how they can change.

In **Mathematics**, we are keeping our attention on multiplication, division and fractions. Please ensure your child is accessing Mathletics on a regular basis.

In **Topic**, we are learning about the Ancient Greeks, with a focus on their daily lives as told by the pottery and an investigation on the impact they had on our lives today.

In **PE**, children will be taught twice a week. Peace Sports will deliver net and wall games, whilst I teach circuit dodgeball.

In **Spanish**, the children are looking at the different cultures in Spain and comparing them to our own.

In **RE**, the children will be learning about Sikhism.

In **DT**, we will be taste testing some Greek food before creating our own.

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### Things to remember:

- ☉ PE will take place on Thursdays and Fridays.
- ☉ Please remember to send children's book bags daily so that they can read to an adult at some point during the week.
- ☉ Maths homework will be via Mathletics each Friday, due for the following Friday.
- ☉ Spelling tests will be on a Friday.
- ☉ If you haven't already, please join Class Dojo to receive messages and keep up to date with your children's progress in.